

it. Senator Lamb talked about the great inconvenience caused to agricultural people by having to have this seat belt requirement applied to them when they drive these farm-plated trucks. Nobody...not enough people on this floor cared about that inconvenience to adopt his amendment and give them an exemption. They are rural people. If this provision is a concession to the rural people, why not give a concession to the even greater number? Certainly, the intent is not to say that doing other types of agricultural work are lower on the ladder of dignity than that of a rural letter carrier, but that, in effect, is what is being said by the way this bill is drafted. It is not a fair bill. It is not a safety bill. It is a dishonest bill. Such a bill, Senator Horgan, was passed by the Legislature before and the public voted to repeal it, to annul it. When I offer a certain bill to stop the state from killing people, I'm always told, without there having been a referendum, that, oh, the public doesn't like this so we won't pass this bill to repeal the death penalty because the public doesn't like it. Well, in this instance, the public has demonstrated by a vote that it doesn't like this, but you all are going to vote for this anyway, because whatever is the convenient argument, based on utilitarianism that will support a position, that is the argument that will be given, that is the position that will be supported. And when the record of the discussion of this bill is reviewed by anybody who is interested I want all of these things to be in that record. And, as we talk to our constituents, as we show that we are responsive to our constituents, as people tell me when they oppose certain bills that I bring, then they can explain why, despite the fact that all these issues were discussed, they nevertheless voted against what the public showed was their desire. And then on other matters they're going to say, well, the public doesn't want this, the public doesn't want that, but they do not have a vote of the public on any of those propositions. I want to ask Senator Arlene Nelson a question, if I can, because she is one of the few who remains here. Senator Nelson, let me ask you a question, if I may.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Chambers, excuse me, I was...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I understand.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Nelson, would you respond, please.

SENATOR NELSON: Yes, if I don't get in trouble.